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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of each of the listed documents is enclosed.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the following U.S. Applications, a copy of each of which is enclosed:

<u>Application Number</u>	<u>Inventor(s)</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Group Art Unit</u>	<u>Status</u>
10/419,839	Ken Tsuchii Mineo Kaneko Keiichiro Tsukuda Masaki Oikawa Kenji Yabe Keiji Tomizawa	April 22, 2003	2853	Allowed
10/419,843	Shuichi Murakami Michinari Mizutani	April 22, 2003	2861	Pending
10/614,009	Keiji Tomizawa Shuichi Murakami	July 8, 2003	2853	Pending
10/614,159	Keiji Tomizawa Shuichi Murakami Mitsuhiro Matsumoto	July 8, 2003	Unassigned	Pending

For the concise explanation of relevance for the foreign language documents, the Examiner is referred to pages 35-37 of the specification, where those documents are discussed, to the English-language abstracts enclosed herewith (for JP 4-10940 and JP 4-10941), and to the enclosed U.S. counterpart documents identified below.

U.S. Patent Nos. 5,218,376 and 6,155,673 are U.S. counterparts to Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open Nos. 4-10940 and 4-10941.

U.S. Patent No. 4,657,631 is a U.S. counterpart to Japanese Patent Publication No. 6-45242.

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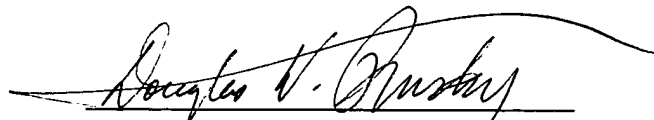
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CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

*EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
		4,657,631	04/1987	Noguchi			
		5,218,376	06/1993	Asai			
		6,155,673	12/2000	Nakajima et al.			
		6,350,016 B1	02/2002	Tachihara et al.			
		6,443,561 B1	09/2002	Murakami			
		6,520,626 B1	02/2003	Murakami			
		6,540,335 B2	04/2003	Touge et al.			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT
		JP 4-10940 A	01/1992	Japan			Abstract*
		JP 4-10941 A	01/1992	Japan			Abstract*
		JP 6-45242 B2	06/1994	Japan			U.S. Counterpart

OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

*Note: U.S. counterpart patents also submitted (see text of IDS).

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